(d) Does not arise

Fraud Cases of SC|ST certificates

663. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) how many fraud cases of Scheduled Caste Certificate holders have come to the notice of Government so far during the year 1994;

(b) how many out of the above cases were students, beneficiaries of DDA flat allotments of Government servants separately;

(c) the number of cases pending with the Commission for verification of caste for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Certificates; and

(d) how many of the cases were substantiated and how many of them are under investigation?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) and (b) The information is being collected.

(c) and (d) Out of the 79 complaints received in 1994, the Commission has initiated investigation into 48 cases, which have been taken up with the concerned authorities for verification. The investigation has not concluded in any of the above cases.

Newspaper Report on Reservation for Muslims

664. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned "Musalmano Ke Liye aabadi ke hisaab se aarakshan maanga" which appeared in the Dainik Jagaran dated the 10th October, 1994;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESRI): (a) Yes, Sir

(b) According to the news item, a National Convention under the aegis of the Association for Promoting Education and Employment of Muslims was held at New Delhi on 9th October 1994. The participants at the Convention who included a number of Muslims and other prominent citizens from other communities expressed serious concern about the social, educational and economic backwardness of Muslims and felt that they should be declared as "Backward Class" under Articles 15(4) and 16(4) of the Constitution. The Convention passed a Resolution that Muslims should be given the benefit of reservation in proportion to their population both in services as well as educational institutions;

(c) There is no proposal under consideration in the Ministry of Welfare for providing reservation to the Muslims. However, the Central Government, several State Governments and Union Territories have included certain sections of Muslim community in their list of OBCs for the purposes of providing reservation in services under Article 16(4) of the Constitution, treating them as OBCs.

मंडल आयोग की सिफारिशों का क्रियान्वय

665. **श्री रामजी लाल** : क्या कल्याण मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या मंडल आयोग की सिफारिशों को सभी राज्यों में क्रियान्वित कर दिया गया है यदि हां, तो, इस संबंध में राज्य-वार ब्यौरा क्या है और इसके फलस्वरूप अभी तक कितने व्यक्तियों को रोजगार सुलभ करा दिया गया है ;

(ख) शेष राज्यों में इस योजना को कब तक क्रियान्वित कर दिये जाने की संभावना है ;